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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: David T. Green
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For: SAFETY TROCAR

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Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 20, 1991. Please amend this application as follows:

In the Claims

CM 1 (~~amended~~) A trocar comprising:

(a) A cannula assembly comprising a cannula and a cannula housing defining an internal cannula passage;

(b) a trocar assembly adapted to cooperate with said cannula assembly, said trocar assembly comprising a sharp trocar tip, an obturator shaft, and a trocar housing, said trocar tip and at least a portion of said obturator shaft being configured and dimensioned for entry into said internal cannula passage;

(c) releasable obturator means associated with the obturator shaft which releasably maintains the trocar tip in an extended position relative to said cannula;

(d) means for releasing the releasable obturator means; and

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